

CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 1:1.

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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THE CALLED AND CHOSEN

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A SPECIAL CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS.

When only a child I was one day watching a bird build its nest. I was hidden where the bird did not see me so I could be very close to it and not frighten it away. While I was very quiet, and watching with great interest every move that was made I heard mother's voice calling her child.

I was afraid to answer for fear I would frighten the bird. Presently mother's voice was heard again, and again no answer. By this time mother became more anxious about her little boy, and she called more vigorously. I knew I ought to answer but I did not know how anxious mother was about her child, so I remained quiet with my eyes riveted on the bird, watching every move it made.

Mother became alarmed and called the older children and a search was instituted. They called and called, and came nearer and nearer and called louder and louder. At length I stirred myself up and crept out of my hiding place and when asked why I did not answer I told them all about it. Mother felt badly because her child did not answer, but when the reason was given she did not scold.

No doubt God calls people often and they hear His voice but they do not answer—they do not heed the call. Something else claims their attention. They may not mean to be rebellious or purposely ignore the call, but other attractions keep their minds so employed that they fail to reply until the call becomes so strong and loud that it is more attractive than the other things that have been claiming their attention.

In concluding His parable of the laborers in the vineyard where the householder paid them all a penny a day, and some of the laborers complained because they worked longer hours and did not receive any more pay than those that did not work so long, Jesus said, "So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few are chosen." (Matt. 20:16.)

Again when Jesus was closing His parable of the marriage of the king's son, and tells of the king finding one of the guests without a wedding garment on, and was commanded to be cast into outer darkness, He said, "For many are called but few are chosen." (Matt. 22:14.)

When we consider these and many other Scriptures we conclude that God calls people to serve Him. Many have been called, and of course, some have responded while others have failed. Among others that have been called were the brethren at Rome, for Paul writes, "Among whom ye are also the called of Jesus Christ" (Rom. 1:6.) And making this call more impressive he states that they are "beloved of God, called to be saints." (Rom. 1:7.) The same thought is given in his letter to the Church of God at Corinth where he says again, "Called to be saints." (1 Cor. 1:2.)

At Romans 8:28, the apostle says, "And we know that all things work together for good to them that *** are the called."

We infer from this that it is good to be among the called ones. If we are called according to God's purpose He will not allow anything to come upon us but what He will make it work for our good. This is a great consolation to those who meet with difficulties and troubles that almost overwhelm them.

I have rejoiced over this verse of Scripture many many times. I knew I had been called and thus I was able to pillow my head upon the assurance that the thing, however hard to bear, was working together for my good. Some may not want to be called of God, but this is one of the things I greatly appreciate. I have often wondered at the Lord calling me when the Book says "many are called" instead of "all are called." If it had said, all are called, then I would not have felt so honored, but since it reads that "many are called," I feel greatly honored to find myself in the number.

I think it is a great thing to be called by the Lord. When Jesus was calling His disciples He did not call every one He came to, but only such as He wanted. He found James and John and their father and others in a group together; He called James and John and left all the rest. When I was quite young I knew the Lord was calling me, and I wondered at it when some of my associates seemed to be better fitted for the Lord's work than myself. I can understand it better now, but I do not think I understand it fully yet. But it is enough now to know I have been called.

Another peculiar thing about God's calls is the kind of people He calls. Jesus passed by those who lived in mansions and palaces and went among the lowly places and called a few humble fishermen. When He wanted a king for Israel He went out into the hills and valleys and selected a shepherd boy. It was a great surprise to Jesse when Samuel refused all of his other sons and selected the little sunburnt David who was thought to be of such little worth that he was not even given a place at the feast until God refused all of the others, and Samuel had his father send for him.

When God wanted a Moses, He found him out on the mountain side taking care of his father-in-law's sheep. He could have gone among the higher classes, but it is not His way. Of this matter of calling people into God's service Paul says, "Not many mighty, not many noble are called." (1 Cor. 1:26.) This seems strange enough, but it is true. Jacob was a plain man, Joseph was a slave. But God always knows His man. And He makes no mistakes.

If there were nothing more to the call than to escape the deceitfulness of sin and become pure and holy and ready for heaven it would be a great call. Peter shows that we are called out of darkness into His marvelous light to show forth the praises of God. In connection with this call he says, "Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." (1 Peter 2:9.)

We are not called to a life of

ease as might be supposed, nor worldly pleasure. We are rather called away from these things. We are called to a "high calling." (Phil. 3:14.) We are called to a life of suffering, (1 Peter 2:19-21) and Paul declares that a man "may know what is the hope of his calling," as if we may know we are to suffer before we start. And in order to encourage the pilgrim in his journey after he heeds the call Paul says, "If we suffer, we shall also reign with him." (2 Tim. 2:12.) When the Lord called Ananias to go and assist Paul when he was blind, He said, "I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake." (Acts 9:16.)

If people only want a life of ease and pleasure they will not want the Lord to call them, but those who have been called and chosen want to remain faithful to the end. It is the called, and chosen, and faithful that will be honored with the great privilege of being with the Lord of lords and King of kings when He shall overcome the beast and kings of the earth when they make war against Him. (Rev. 17:14.)

In speaking of the great tribulation days Jesus says they will be shortened "for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen." That is, He has called and chosen these people about whom He is talking. They will receive special attention. The time of trouble will be shortened for their sake. This is the opposite of the long day when Joshua commanded the sun to stand still while he and his "peculiar" people were once fighting a great battle.

Among other things Paul says we are called unto the fellowship of Jesus. "God is faithful,

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by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord." (1 Cor. 1:9.) This is certainly an honored position, but this is not all. Those who are called are expected to be in one body. Of this Paul says, "And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body." (Col. 3:15.)

Now since the body is the Church (Col. 1:24, Eph. 1:22, 23,) it is plain that the Lord expects all who are called to be in one church, and not be divided like they are today. The great trouble is that when people are called they sometimes fail to heed the call. They have other attractions like the writer did when he was watching the bird while his mother was calling him. Called in one body. Called in one Church, and of course it is the Church of God because that is the only one the Bible recognizes.

God does not call us to be separated. He calls us to be united. The middle wall of partition that was between the Jews and Gentiles was broken down (Eph. 2:14,) and I'm sure the many partitions that are separating God's people today should be broken down. Heeding God's call will do this, if He calls in to one body as explained above. Heeding God's call will always bring comfort and blessing to one another when you meet. God has called us to

peace. (1 Cor. 7:15,) and not to war and strife. He wants us to be one heart and one soul, and never divided. He wants us to comfort and cheer one another along the way instead of causing heartaches and trouble by

our words and actions. He wants us to be gentle and kind, and patient toward all men. He has called us that we may be made a blessing to this lost world.

There is a special call for vol-

unteers now. It is time for the eleventh hour laborers to enter the conflict. The work must be done, and there is too much for those who entered early in the

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A BRIEF EXPOSITION ON THE TRIAL OF FAITH

Dictated by The Blind Evangelist, Fred G. Taylor.

In 1 Peter 1:7,8, we read as follows: "That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honor and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ: whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory."

Precious things are seven times mentioned in Peter's Epistle—faith, the trial of faith, precious promises, precious stones, and He is precious. Of these seven the trial of faith gets the first place. It is compared to gold tried in the fire which only makes it the brighter and the purer. So faith tried in the fire becomes stronger and such trials bring the soul into closer acquaintance with God. Thus the Lord allows His people to be brought into all sorts of circumstances in order to try their metal. Nothing so acquaints us with God, experimentally, as trials. We get to know God intelligently through the Word, but we become acquainted with Him experimentally by the means of trials.

To be a Christian is a very real thing, a hard thing to the flesh, but a blessed reality to faith. A genuine Christian is one who exercises his conscience before God as to what will please Him and as to the path he has to tread. He is thus distinguished from the mere sham professor who is like a ship without ballast.

The path marked out by God for His people is a path of trial, yet full of blessing in proving His time-ly aid. When did the Lord Jesus use the words, "Abba Father?" Only in the garden of Gethsemane, in the hour of His exceeding sorrow. Ah, well may we know that the path of sorrow is the path of safety, for it is the path along which Christ leads His people safely home.

It is a precious thing in God's estimation to be trusted and confided in, to be clung to in a world where His Son was rejected and where He is disowned. How it must have pleased Him to hear Job say, "Though He slay me, yet will I trust Him."

Now is the time, then, of fiery trial of faith. There will yet be a trial of works when Jesus comes and that will be by the Lord Himself. See 1 Corinthians 3:13; 4:5. Now He allows our faith to be tested and when in the midst of it all we can trust Him and say, "Father I know that thou lovest me." He will even now make us feel that He is pleased. Ofttimes He causes us to rejoice just before some heavy, sharp trial, for He would not have us to be mere lip worshippers, but experimentally acquainted with Himself and in heart cleaving to Him.

"Praise, honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ." What a grand day that will be for His tried and suffering people. Here it tells how He will make up all that they have lost by their faithfulness to Him and His Word. There are

three things here named, "praise, honor and glory." The first should be enough to nerve us to be faithful. Think of the Lord Jesus calling one of His poor, despised and lowly servants who had borne reproach for His sake and suffered because of faithful-ness to His Word, and publicly praising him, saying, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant," etc.

Beloved, when there is no or little success, be faithful as well as when there is much; for faithfulness to Christ is being taken account of by Himself. Will not one word from His blessed lips make ample amends for a whole life time reproach? Let us hold fast to His commandments for faithfulness to His Word is what will be owned and praised in that day.

Honor comes next. This may refer to the crown He will bestow. Not only in words will He praise, but in action He will reward all that have been well pleasing to Him. This invests the present life with grave responsibility for every one will see by the crown He will give how he has acquitted himself on earth and how much of his life has had the approval of Him. And these honors are eternal. Such will be the honor put by Christ on all who make it their aim to please Him here. Alas! how much is sacrificed to gain the praise of man. How much grander to know the fulfillment of the Word—"Then shall every man have praise of God." 1 Cor. 4:5.

Glory comes last. What glories await the Son of God, the full recompense of His cross and shame! Would you share the praise, honor and glory He will then bestow? The clue to it all is identification with Him now.

And be it remembered that these honors are eternal, not for a brief period like the honors of earth. The king may raise his faithful servants to a rank of honor for a few years then honors perish, but our Lord and Master has eternal honors, eternal glory at His disposal. How intensely real this makes the present life! We are writing our lives in a book and shall hear it read to us by and by. Our course of action here will color existence there. But some will suffer loss, (1 Cor. 3:14, 15) while others who have gone on whole-hearted with the Lord will receive a good reward. (2 John, verse 8.)

"At the appearing of Jesus Christ." That is, the revelation or unveiling of Jesus Christ, when the believer is standing in grace and his place in Christ is under view. It is the coming of the Lord in the air that is spoken of as the hope of the church, but when it is a question of how we have lived and what we have been doing for Him, it is the "appearing" that is to the front, when those who have suffered loss on account of identification with Him and faithfulness to Him will appear with Him in glory (Col. 3:4) wearing the rewards He has bestowed upon them.

The appearing will be stage after stage, first with the saints

then gradually unfolding more and more. The more the glory is unveiled the brighter will the reward of Christ's faithful followers appear.

All will not share alike; we will be rewarded according to the measure of our faithfulness here. Of two brothers, both in Christ, one may suffer loss and the other have a full reward. And as the glory is unfolded the difference between them will be perpetuated. And these rewards will endure, for the abundant entrance is into the everlasting Kingdom of our Lord and Savior.

"Whom having not seen ye love." This refers to love in action, love in the heart first, no doubt, but seen in the ways of those who would dare do for his sake what He bade them do. The proof of such love is that it stands fast to the cross and bears the trials at some cost to itself. When tempted to avoid suffering, love remains firm and unmoved, cleaving to the right.

Oftentimes the Lord brings His people into circumstances where their love is tested. Some temptation arises, some bait is offered. Do you love Christ? Then you will say, "I love my Lord;" and for One you have never seen but upon whom your heart is fixed, you stand the fire, you endure. It is concerning this that the passage in James 1:12 speaks: "Blessed is the man that endureth temptation; for when he is tried, he shall receive the crown of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love Him." The force of love here is love in action, love that endures.

People talk much about love, but the true test of love for God and Christ is that in the time of trial it says, "I would not lose the favor and smile of God, so I will rather suffer than grieve Him." Love will be content with a crust and a smile from God, rather than a better position and the popularity of the world without it. Such tests must come to all the true children of God. They winnow the chaff from the wheat. The gold comes out from the fire tried and purified from its dross.

Abraham's day of trial came when he was asked to give up Isaac, and his prompt response, when he arose early and took the knife and the fire to Moriah with his son and stretched forth his hand to slay him, showed that he loved God more than to withhold from Him his only son; and the answer from heaven was, "Now I know that thou fearest God, seeing that thou hast not withheld thy son."

"Believing ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory." When our joy becomes very intense we are on the very edge of glory, the very threshold of heaven. Glory is ever closely connected with joy. "In thy presence there is fullness of joy (glory): at thy right hand there are pleasures forevermore." We could not in our present state stand the full blaze of glory. When our joy is full, it is glory delayed, a scintillation of the eternal glory in which we are to dwell.

Soon with joyful glad surprise We shall hear His word, "Arise!" Mounting upward to the skies, Glory, glory glory!

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We are receiving quite a goodly number of new subscriptions by the hands of the individuals themselves. Many thanks, and keep coming.

The Evangel is making its way among papers. This is encouraging, and we expect it to run over the ten thousand mark very soon. But we need your help constantly.

The revival fire is still falling in many places in spite of all the darkness that is gathering over the world. Many of the saints of God are praying effectual fervent prayers.

There has been some talk during the year that the next Assembly might be in Atlanta, Ga., but when we got to looking the whole situation squarely in the face we decided it is better to go back to our own building in HARRIMAN, TENN., where the Lord has so wonderfully blest the last two years.

We hope our Atlanta and Georgia friends will not be too much disappointed when they see the Annual Assembly announced for HARRIMAN instead of their great and beautiful city. We are sure when they learn the full particulars they will be perfectly satisfied and ready to say we have made the right decision. We hope to give them a call later if Jesus tarries.

While we want to accomplish much for the Lord yet this fall, there are TWO SPECIAL POINTS WE WANT TO WORK TO. One is, we want to RUN THE SUBSCRIPTION LIST OF THE EVANGEL OVER THE TEN THOUSAND MARK BEFORE THE ASSEMBLY. The other point we want to work to is to PAY OFF THE BALANCE DUE ON THE ASSEMBLY BUILDING. Last year we asked all who attended the Assembly to bring one dollar, and those who could not come to send their dollar. Men, women, and children responded very liberally and enabled us to pay the interest and a nice little payment on the principle besides. This year we are going to double the amount and ask for TWO DOLLARS. We want every body to

begin now to save up and get this amount ready for the Assembly, and bring or send it.

Remember the Bible school opens Nov. 11, this year. The prospects are that we will have a good attendance this year. However, there are a few that were fully expecting to come that feel disappointed because their funds are coming up short. How much we need a surplus fund to put those through who are worthy and bid fair to make efficient workers if they can only receive the training. If churches, districts, or states, could select one to represent them in the school, and then stand behind them with their means, I believe it will be money well spent and an effort worth making. I suggest that the pastors and overseers take up this matter and give it consideration. There might be some found that have some of the amount necessary and a little help will put them over.

Let us now go to work with a will to win the ten thousand mark for the Evangel. Many of our friends are working at it faithfully, and their help is very greatly appreciated, but we want many more to enlist in this special subscription campaign. I believe we can win it, don't you? We will try to furnish you the extra papers when you ask for them, and the subscription blanks. We want everybody to take an interest in this special campaign. We are not the kind to be defeated. I appeal to the sisters to help in this. I feel that if I can only get a good sized army of women to work at this that it will be but little trouble to put it over the top. Write for papers and subscription blanks and enter the service at once. AND HERE WE GO!

Just received a fine list of subscriptions from the Bahama Islands. This is the third or fourth nice list from over there recently. We have some friends over there that love the paper and are doing their best to get the message spread all over the Islands. God bless you, dear ones, I love you more than I can tell.

All the monthly reports of the churches, overseers, and ministers, should be made out promptly the last day of this month. We hope no one will overlook the matter. "Not slothful in business" says Paul, and fervent in spirit besides. I am determined to do my best, both day and night. Will you all do as much?

Cleveland, Tenn.

Dear Evangel:

I thought I would like to write a little to mention the work of Tennessee.

I think the districting of the states has been a great blessing to the work of this state. I consider that we have a good district overseer for every district. I hear good reports from every district. This is one advantage of districting—the overseer of state can get in direct touch with the work of the whole state. Another advantage is, each district overseer will look after his district with greater interest than he would if he didn't have specified territory. So I conclude that the entire state is being well cared for.

We have district meetings, not to form any new decrees, but only to explain the decrees already passed at the Assembly that the churches may be established in the faith. See Acts 10:4, 5, also Minute, page 36. At that time we preach on the Church of God then have a report from the different churches of the district then give general instructions in dialogue form. Many have expressed themselves as appreciating the Church of God more than ever before.

I am expecting to be in every

district before the Assembly. I want to insist that every church see that they are well represented at the district meeting. It doesn't speak well for a church to ignore that service and not attend.

I'm not hearing of much dissatisfaction in the state; most people seem very well satisfied with the decrees and workings of the Assembly.

May the Lord bless you all. I love my people. I am trying to put my arms around the whole state and working as best I know for your interest and spiritual welfare.

As ever your servant,
F. J. Lee.

Eldorado, Ill.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greetings in the Name of Our Great King and Captain:

We, the deacons and ministers of the Church of God in the state of Illinois, beg leave to report through the Evangel the wonderful success of our State Assembly held at Eldorado August 20-24.

We further wish to express our appreciation of the General Assembly of the Churches of God and pledge our most loyal support of the same.

(Signed)

John Attey
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Garret White
Jim Johnson
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D. P. Barnett, Overseer of State.

Hayesville, N. C.

Dear Editor and Evangel Readers—Greetings:

One of the biggest camp meetings ever held at Tusquitee, N. C. closed Sunday, August 18. S. W. Latimer was in charge. The workers from Georgia were, Brother Bramlett and wife, Brother Jim Mull and wife and Brother Sellars and Brother Setzer.

The enemy came against us with all his power but on the third day the powers of darkness were driven back. One brother had a vision of angels appearing in the altar and several balls of fire were seen passing over the church building, all denoting the presence of God. The power fell and continued falling until twenty were saved, five sanctified, eight filled with the Holy Ghost, five baptized in water and eight added to the Church of God.

Brother Latimer, endowed with wisdom and power, gave out the Word in such a manner that old-time conviction seized sinners, the saints shouted and danced and talked in tongues. Many unbelievers were convinced of the truth and the country was stirred for miles around. The church was strengthened and encouraged to press on.

The battle was fought, the devil defeated, the victory won and we give God all the praise. Amen.

Yours in His service,
Fred Chambers and wife.

Atlanta, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson: I received a letter from my brother who is in France asking prayer for himself. He is saved and he would appreciate letters from God's people. I should be glad for the saints to write and encourage him to press on.

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Dorrisville, Ill.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

God bless you and all the Evangel readers.

I bless God for complete victory through the blood. I never felt better in my life than I do these days. Praise God for the Holy Ghost fire, the same as they had on the day of Pentecost! It just suits me.

Brother Bafford and Brother Yates have been with us and held a tent meeting. The devil got stirred and by the help of the Lord his nest was torn up and two were sanctified and some received the Holy Ghost. Thank God for the few that dare take the track of truth!

Brother Barnett was with us the last night of the meeting and preached a wonderful sermon from Revelation on the "fearful and unbelieving." I thank God for such men that will preach the whole Bible. When the sermon was finished an altar call was given and the altar, which was twenty-four feet long, was filled with seekers.

Thank God the good work has begun here and I am expecting to see the Church of God set in order in the near future. I desire that all the saints pray to that end.

Oh, how we need to pray in these days as the end draws near. It will not be long till Jesus will come. I am ready to meet Him in the air.

Your brother in Christ,
Jerry Miller.

Eckstein Village, Barbados.

Dear Evangel:

"At it, all at it, always at it." The above remarks were made by Mr. Wesley, the good old founder of Methodism who has been used of God, in bringing many to the light of sanctification in his day. But thank God, there is a higher step, a greater light, a brighter experience in our day, even the baptism of the Holy Ghost and fire. See Mat. 3:11; Acts 2:4. Praise the Lord!

I believe we can truthfully and safely repeat the above words of Mr. Wesley with regard to the few faithful Pentecostal saints in Barbados. Glory to God!

On the first and second weeks in July we observed the ordinance of the Lord's supper and washing of the saints' feet in four of our churches. The blessed Holy Ghost was present witnessing with power in our midst. We thank God that He has brought us into the good old-time way. "If I then, your Lord and Master, have washed your feet, ye also ought to wash one another's feet." Praise His name forever!

The Lord sent Sister Dowdy to Crab Hill, seventeen miles from Bridgetown, (this church is under the pastoral care of Elder Forde) about the first week in July. A great stir was on. The Lord greatly used our sister in holding forth the Word of truth with much power. During the first two weeks of her visit souls were at the altar almost every night. Some, backsliders returning to the Lord and some, sinners seeking salvation for the first time.

The third week, Sister Hurley went down and spent a week with them exhorting sinners to seek Christ and confirming believers in the faith. She tells us that the little hall is packed with believers and many are seeking the Holy Ghost. Praise the Lord! We hope to go down soon and set the church in order.

Sister Dowdy is a devoted young sister of the Island of Montserrat. She was converted under the preaching of our beloved Brother Joseph during his lifetime while he was in Montserrat. Being baptized with the Holy Ghost He uses her with much power to the glory of God. After her conversion she suffered much for Christ at the hands of her parents, but continued steadfast in the faith.

Praise His matchless name! When Brother Joseph had the call for Barbados she also left her home, friends and loved ones and came out with himself and wife to preach the good old gospel in the good old-time fashion and was appointed evangelist in the Church of God along with Sister Joseph when the church was set in order here in 1917, and although our dear Brother Joseph has been taken from us, his work being ended, she continues with us to lift the blood-stained banner of the cross.

On Sunday morning, August 4, seven of our converts were baptized in water by Elder Hurley, these all witnessing before the world to their faith in Christ and obedience to His Word.

The following Monday being bank holiday, a band of Spirit-filled workers held an outdoor service at Payns bay in St. James. Although it rained some they were on the spot and crowds attended and at the close of the service begged them to come again. This meeting was led by Sister Pollard under the blessed Holy Ghost; at it the Word was preached, testimonies were given and Evangelists distributed. Eternity will tell the results.

Sister Pollard is another appointed evangelist in the Church of God, baptized with the Holy Ghost and speaks in tongues under the power of the Spirit. She is known in certain quarters as the giant preacher.

We thank God for these faithful women who feel themselves free to work for Him, and may He continue to bless the efforts of His unworthy servants to the establishment of His cause.

Yours in Christ,
J. T. Hurley.

There is a fountain I have found,
Pure, clean and sparkling its waters abound.
There is a stream from the throne of God
Growing ever deeper as shown by the rod.
Souls who are thirsty, hearts that are sad
Freely may come and soon be made glad.
Jesus so kindly invites all to come
And drink of the waters in His Father's home.

There is a feast where the hungry may feed,
Whatever the trouble He'll supply every need.
For the food is so rich and delicious and rare,
When you sit at this table you'll lose every care.

There is a tongue unknown to most men
But spoken thru God's child ev'ry now'n then.
The accents so sweet how they do charm our soul,
For their grace and their power make ev'ry whit whole.

There is a garment that will fit every one
Prepared for those who accept the gift of His Son.
It is spotless and white and will never wear out
We'll wear it up yonder and laugh, sing and shout.

There is a face with which none can compare
For meekness and kindness and beauty so fair,
If we can but see after our trials down here
We'll forget all our toils, our doubts and our fear.

There is a city built of gold
Where folks are happy and ne'er grow old.
It's wealth and glory we all may share
After following Jesus thru this world of care.

L. Howard Jaillert.

Birchwood, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

We have just closed a revival near Birchwood in which there were about eleven conversions, eleven sanctified and seven baptized with the Holy Ghost. The Lord wonderfully blessed His people and helped in delivering the messages.

We expect to begin a meeting about two miles east of here August 31. We desire the prayers of all of God's children.
R. Braddam.

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Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God today for full and free salvation and for the presence of the blessed Holy Ghost who came into my life June 2, 1917 and still abides. Glory to Jesus! He satisfies me.

Our blessed Lord sent us about six hundred miles by automobile from Raton to this place to lift up His name here that He might draw these people unto Himself, that they might be turned from darkness unto His marvelous light and from the power of Satan unto God. How I praise Him for His great love!

We arrived here July 12, and on July 16, had our first meeting, Bible study, in a house seated to accommodate a large crowd. On July 21 we had service and Sunday school with five small children and eight adults for which we praise God.

In our meetings the Lord has saved and sanctified two and baptized one with the Holy Ghost and fire.

Sunday night, Aug. 18, the Holy Ghost, through Brother Dyes gave a stirring message from 2 Cor. 7:1, 2. A large crowd was present and some are real hungry for the Word.

Please pray much that the Lord will establish the work in this place. There are only seven of us here in this way.

Your humble sister,
Celia Dyes.

THE CALLED AND CHOSEN
(Continued from page 1.)

morning. New ones are coming, but I fear some are not heeding the call or there would be many more.

Many of our workers have had to leave the ministry and go into the service of our country. This leaves many vacancies. These vacancies must be filled. To my mind this is a call for female workers. They will have to take the place of the men. I hope the young women will see their opportunity and enter the field and obey the call. If they feel the lack of proficiency, then they ought to avail themselves of the opportunity of attending the Bible school, and go into the work with a will.

Many young women are leaving home to receive training as army nurses. Why can't others leave home and receive training to enter the service of the Lord? It is considered an honor for young women to enter the service of the government, why not think of it being a greater honor to enter the service of God and His church, and help us spread the glorious gospel of the Son of God to the ends of the world?

Come on, sisters, heed the call and become among the chosen to take the place of husbands and brothers and sons who are fighting for their country. Be ready to bring comfort and blessing to one another when you meet, and to all man-kind when you GO with Bible in hand. Remember there is a special call for volunteers now. This call is imperative. Surely you will not refuse. Be among the called, and chosen, and faithful.

The Bible God's Mirror—Every One May See Himself in it.

SAM. C. PERRY.

"But we all with open face, beholding, as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the Lord." 2 Cor. 3:8.

"But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty and continueth therein, he being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed." James 1:25.

Every class and condition of man is described in God's Word.

The vilest of the vile may read of the wicked who have departed from God, and established their own standard, and left God out of all their thoughts, followed their own imaginations, working all uncleanness with greediness in that which is unseemly, and see a perfect picture of themselves and their life and work. Of course there are few that will look at the picture and own it. Many will not look at the Bible at all, it condemns them, and they had rather give their attention to things that are more in harmony with their tastes, which would be far from the truth of God's Word.

Then there is the moral man who does not see the need of God, lives independently of Him, and literally by his life says, "There is no God." His perfect likeness is in the Bible, but you could hardly make him see it. In his own eyes he is smart and up-to-date in everything, but God says "he is a fool."

Another class pictured in the Bible professes to believe everything they see in the Bible, but do not live up to any of the Lord's commands. In works they deny Him. They honor God with their lips but their heart is far from Him. Jesus made this picture very plain, but how many there are who belong to this class, but cannot see that it is their perfect likeness. Perhaps some have good intentions, but are like the man who saw himself in a glass and went away and straightway forgot "what manner of man he was." They are swept off their feet by the irresistible tide of this world's affairs. They are the people who hear the Word, and Satan steals it away and they bring no fruit to perfection.

The picture, too, of the backslider is made very plain. Those who once saw a better day, but are now on the back ground.

"Left their first love." Their love grown "cold." Deceitfulness of sin, "riches and pleasures of this life." "Love of praise," etc. In your testimony, prayer or sermon you may put on some extra flourishes, but when you look at yourself in God's mirror all the old lines and wrinkles and shadows are there. You may lift up the shoulders and throw the head back and straighten up, but these things do not make another man of you. It's yourself after all. How sad today that so many backsliders are still putting up a good front and holding their heads high, and cannot, or will not, see themselves in the light of God's great mirror.

The fact that a man can sit up front and sing and seem to enjoy a good spiritual service, is not, necessarily, evidence that all is well with his soul. When he looks back and sees where he neglected prayer, did not pay his honest debts, held evil feeling in his heart toward some one, was not prompt in his service, failed to do his duty, then he's looking at his natural self in God's mirror. Did you ever do that?

Many no doubt would like to have the glass show them up a little better than what it does, but the glass can only reflect what is thrown on it, so it will not deceive. If your life is not

in harmony with the Bible, do not blame the Bible, it is the true standard, and is just where it has been all the time, and when you come to the point you should reach in Christian experience, you will be with the Bible. There is no other standard.

There is another class pictured in God's Word of which special note must be taken. "The feeble minded," "the weak." Special exhortation is given that this class shall have attention. It is often a difficult matter to help such, for they do not see the need of help always, and only the greatest love and wisdom can enable us to help one who thinks he is as able and knows as much as we. You are mistaken if you think that the "feeble minded" and "weak" are just those limping along the road, or those sitting with bowed head. We have many "feeble" and "weak" who hinder the carrying forward of the gospel by undertaking to do things without the power and sanction of the Holy Ghost. Not mentally or physically weak, but spiritually. Of course we do often find weak ones who are ready and eager to receive help, what a pleasure it is to comfort, support and help them.

That class who have purified their souls through obedience of the truth and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus are a beautiful picture. The peace of God that passeth understanding fills their heart, and the love of God is shed abroad graciously in their lives as they view themselves in God's great mirror. Every spirit, temper and disposition subdued to the will of God. Every evil disposition and nature cast out. Every thought, word and act in harmony with Jesus and His gospel. When one can behold himself in God's mirror clothed upon and reflecting all these things it is no ordinary sensation that fills his heart, but the joy of the Lord which is unspeakable and full of glory, that which surpasses all the pleasures and comforts of earth.

If you have not measured to this standard, you may, and see yourself in God's sight, clothed upon with the purity and life of Jesus, our great Savior. To be thus blessed is the greatest treasure of earth or heaven for it will insure all the needs for a life of happiness here and an eternal home hereafter.

Another beautiful picture is of that "glorious church without spot or wrinkle," which is His body, the company who will surround Jesus in the great coronation. What a glorious sight!

Its composition is of those blessed patriarchs, prophets, apostles, martyrs and saints who through the ages have found the good way and walked in it. Men who have proved their faith and love by their works and blood, men who have catered to neither flesh nor devils, but to the holy command and Spirit have been true. Men who have sailed clear of doctrines of devils and commandments of men so that they are pure and spotless and white in the blood of the Lamb whom they follow wheresoever he leads.

A glorious church, thousands, by her love and humble devotion to the Master and His cause have been rescued and saved. Thousands through her efforts have washed their robes and come to sing around the throne in that day.

God's glorious gifts are in her, the dead have been raised, the sick healed, leper cleansed, the hungry fed, yea all good works of charity, blessing and salvation in her are found. For no other mission has she on earth, but to do good, and show the praises of her Lord, and then meet Him without spot in that day, bring-

ing all the sheaves possible for the great harvest day.

Beloved reader, where do you stand? What is the likeness you behold as you see yourself in God's mirror? Are you without spot or wrinkle? If not how can you help to compose His glorious church, for it is without spot or wrinkle.

Do you follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth? If not how can you make out to see yourself in that glorious company as you look into God's great mirror to see them? May we all be ready.

Kimberly, Ala.

To the Dear Saints Everywhere—Greeting in the Name of Him Who Gave His Precious Life to Redeem Us:

I praise God for this precious way and for the way He keeps me each day.

I am so glad that one day I gave my life to Him and it is still His today. Praise His precious name! I am determined to go through with God at any cost. I love Him above all else. Jesus becomes more precious to me each day I live. I am expecting to see Him soon.

In Luke 21 He tells us about these things that are coming to pass in our day and He said that "when these things BEGIN to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads: for your redemption draweth nigh." By this we know that His coming is near, even at our door, for these things certainly have begun to come to pass.

It means something to follow God. I am glad that we can really follow Him and live soberly, righteously and godly in this present world. Praise His precious name!

I do want to spend my life in His service. I praise Him for the "go ye" that I have in my soul.

Pray for me that I may be true to Jesus.

Your sister in Christ,
Lucy Johnson.

Bogue, N. C.

Dear Evangel Readers:

I am praising God today for what He is to me. I am saved and sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost. Glory to His name!

I praise the Lord for sending Brother Aaron Smith and Brother and Sister Williams here to lead us in the light of the true gospel.

I want all the saints to pray that the Lord will send us another minister soon. There are so many hungry souls here. Also pray for me that I may live closer to Jesus every day.

Your sister,
Cora Russell.

Philadelphia, Pa

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Saints of God—Greetings to You in Jesus' Name:

I long to be with you in the service of the Lord.

I still have the victory in my soul and the Holy Ghost abides within. Praise God forever!

Sometimes I find myself studying and asking myself, "What did God put me here for? What good am I here?" But Jesus brings the answer to my mind which is this: "You are here to get fitted up for a true soldier for my cause." I have had many things to endure. God is showing me how to be a true soldier for Him. Thank God for all!

Jesus is my rock and my strength. He has been my shield in time of trouble. Glory to God! He has been my friend when people have laughed me to scorn and in Him will I trust until the grave claims my body and my spirit goes home and is safe in the Haven of Rest, where I shall dwell with the saints who have conquered the foe and are at rest in glory.

The blood of Jesus is flowing over my soul this afternoon.

Glory to God! I'm so glad I have given up the world. I am going to follow Jesus by His help.

Since leaving my home I have seen things that made the tears roll down my cheeks and I have wondered why God allowed such things but I remembered that He said all these things must come to pass before the end.

Dear friends, are you willing to see precious souls lost? Are you doing your bit? Ask yourself the question, "Am I doing anything for God?"

I am giving my money and doing without things I need, as I can't give my time at present, but I mean to in the future. Some of us can't preach but we can do our bit other ways. Why not send the Evangel to some one who needs God? The little preacher will carry the message to souls who are hungry and thirsty for the truth and it can go where the saints cannot.

Dear friends, I ask you all to continue to pray for me and the other dear boys who are in this terrible tragedy. I am now in a place where I may have to go across the sea at any time and it may be a long time before I come back and it may be I shall not return, but we can meet around the throne of God where all will be welcome. Glory to God!

I want to thank the dear saints who have been praying for me since I have taken a stand for Jesus. You will be rewarded when we reach the end.

Your little brother in Christ,
G. F. Danehower,
Camp Sims, Co. I,
Navy Yard,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Gone To Be With Jesus.

Our dearly beloved Sister Annie Milon departed this life August 20, 1918. She was a member of the Church of God, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and faithful to the end.

Sister Milon was at the service at Liverwort, Tenn., last Sunday night. She had taken part in the communion service and washed one of the sisters' feet then rose up and leaned over on one of the sisters' shoulder and never revived. She had been paralyzed in one side for some time.

Our sister was sixty-nine years, eight months and twelve days old. She leaves to mourn her loss two sons, one brother, three sisters and a host of friends, but our loss is heaven's gain and we sorrow not as those who have no hope. We expect to meet her again for she was faithful and followed Jesus to the end. As almost the last act of His life was to wash His disciples' feet, so it was her last act on earth.

The funeral service was conducted by your unworthy servant.

George T. Brouayer.

Report.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I have just closed a meeting at Echo, Fla. Six were saved, three were sanctified and three received the Holy Ghost. Three followed the Lord in water baptism, three came into the church. Brother Culpepper officiated in the baptismal service.

I begin a meeting at Chiefland, Fla. Wednesday. I want all the saints to pray that God will bless and save many souls. It is a hard place but I'm expecting God to help us.

Your sister,
Mabel McDavid.

Great Revival On At Wimauma, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

Revival services are in progress at Wimauma. I have never before seen such interest at Wimauma. The power of God is falling and souls are getting blessed and the church is being nourished. People are coming for miles. The goodness and love of God is prevailing.

Yours for the Master,
J. F. Sumner,

Hell's Horrors

C. A. CHURCHILL

"There shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth."—Matt. 24:51.

The awfulness of this text is seldom recognized by the ordinary Bible reader.

That hell is a real place is clearly taught in the inspired Word and that it has no end is also clearly taught.

Hell will be a just recompense to every one that goes there. Justice demands a hell; love demands a hell.

To my mind it is the most awful thought to think of a lost soul in hell. It almost makes me scream. But when I think of a man living in the land of Bibles, possibly one in his own home, telling him of the blessed Savior that died on Calvary's tree, shed the last drop of His blood, telling him of heaven and all its beauties, then willingly ignores its pleadings and warnings, goes through the world a God-rejecter and Christ-despiser, it is just that he shall go to hell.

The moral man that treats people right, pays his just debts, never swears nor steals is just as sure of hell as the gambler, drunkard or any other character that rejects Christ. Here in this life he would not associate with gamblers and profane men, but in hell he hears curses loud, and blasphemies that almost turn the cheek of darkness pale. He would not join the church on account of some hypocrites, but in hell he is surrounded by them all the while.

In hell you will see all the vile characters of past ages. Doubtless you will see Cain the first murderer and all people who have forgotten God.

Careless man! Knowest thou not that thou art nearing the brink of hell? Listen! Hear, as it were, the noise of thunder beneath a lake of burning fire, tempest tossed perpetually with the most miserable beings, dying but never dead, forever wasting yet enduring still, burning continually yet unconsumed.

Ah! I see a man begging forgiveness of his wife, a preacher apologizing to his congregation, a young man asking God for mercy for having stolen the virtue of a young lady. There will be groans that will never end, sighs that will never cease.

As they wander over the valley of perdition weeping and trying to find utter death they hear nothing but the echo of their own melancholy voice in the distance as in mockery and the weeping and gnashing of teeth of the lost around them.

Suddenly their mind runs back to this world and they remember the time when they could have accepted Christ. The thought drives them mad. They fall into one mighty prayer of broken voices until the entire regions of hell resound with the echoes of fruitless prayers. Demons will laugh at their fate.

If a million years could bring hope how it would lessen the agony! But no, it is eternity! How long? Doubtless fallen angels have asked this question for thousands of years; in vain they have waited for a reply.

Memory is the bloodhound that will follow you to hell. "Son, remember." Luke 16. You remember the preacher's warnings, the old song, "Whosoever Will," rings in your ears like deathbells; recollections of wasted years sting your guilty conscience like a hornet.

Oh impenitent man, hell, with all its horrors whatsoever they may be, awaits thee!

If all the men in the universe were artists, every stick a brush, the ocean's vast expanse of waters, paint, the outstretched sky a canvass, and all the world should stand still while they dashed the horrors of hell on the canvass, it would wear out every man, quite exhaust the waters

and leave midnight scenes of the hellish regions still unpictured.

The very sin that blasts one's life here will continually be before him in hell. No doubt the pieces of silver for which Jesus was sold by Judas clings to him in hell. Doubtless the bowl of water used by Pilate to signify his innocence is yet ever before him.

In hell one will paint pictures of the past in his mind. He pictures himself in an old-time camp meeting; he hears the preacher saying, "Turn ye, turn ye, for why will ye die." He hears the message, he hears the invitation song, he sees somebody get through to God, he remembers how the Spirit spoke saying, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock;" he remembers how he drove Him away. Then his mind flies back to his present condition. Ah, hopeless indeed. If he had a chance then he would get right with God; if he had a chance then he would preach the gospel; if he could only escape hell's horrors he would warn the wicked, but alas! too late! Lost! forever lost!

Unsaved man, I warn thee in the name of Jesus Christ to prepare to meet thy God, or else it will be "weeping and gnashing of teeth." Awake! awake ye sinners!

Nichols Town, Andros Is.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I'm praising God this morning for Jesus, for His precious blood. I praise Him for salvation and victory in my soul.

I love the way of holiness. Deep down in my heart I am determined by the grace of God to be an overcomer and lift up the blood-stained banner to a lost and perishing world.

I have just recently arrived at home from Cat Island where the work is going on nicely. I visited a place called Smith Bay, where many souls were convicted and two were saved and sanctified. At the Bite, Cat Island, four were saved and sanctified and one received the Holy Ghost. The Lord certainly did bless on this trip.

I received your letter with joy, it was so full of love. It made me feel as if I were talking to you. Dear brother, may God bless you, strengthen you and keep you.

Your brother,
O. L. Ceruti.

Camp Shelby, Miss.

Dear Editor and Saints:

I am requesting that all Christian people who read this will pray that God will have His way with me. I am a member of the Church of God and am holding out faithful.

If the saints only realized how many temptations confront us they would never neglect to pray for us. We must, of course, overcome them or lose the battle that is being waged.

The enemy is so strong around me at times that I almost get discouraged but then the helping hand of God is thrown out and I am rescued.

I have just read a good testimony from a brother in Camp Hancock which of course is encouraging.

I should like to receive encouraging letters from the saints at any time.

Your brother,
Andrew Jackson Beard.

A Request.

Special prayer is desired for seven orphan children who were so faithfully committed to the protection of the Church of God by their father who fell asleep about two years ago.

They are each anointed and set apart by the Holy Spirit for a special work and are standing in "front ranks."

Some of them are wounded, stricken and sick and are now surrounded by the forces of the enemy so much that even necessary food cannot be obtained for them.

Their mother,
Mrs. A. B. Adams.

Red Bay, Ala.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I want to praise God today for His great love and tender mercy. I praise Him for His healing power. I believe in divine healing because the Bible teaches it and because I have seen the work done. I have seen my baby healed twice when very sick.

Now just a few words about healing. When you get sick, don't send somebody to call all the neighbors in to pray for you and at the same time have it in mind to send for the doctor if you do not get relief. First examine yourself and see if you are abiding in Him and if His words abide in you. If this is the case whatsoever you ask you shall receive. Then call for the elders of the church and let them pray over you anointing with oil in the name of the Lord and the prayer of faith shall save the sick. See James 5:14, 15.

I have learned that if we do just like the Bible says for us to do we will get our prayers answered. Thank God!

I desire the prayers of all the saints that I may do God's will at all times.

Your brother in Christ,
B. O. Funderback.

Clifty, Tenn.

Dear Evangel Family:

I am praising God for the deep settled peace in my soul today. I praise Him for keeping me from sin.

I am praising Him for His mighty healing power. I know He is the same today as when He raised the dead—the same Jesus. Glory to His name!

This is a trying time now. It is necessary for us to be watchful and prayerful at all times. Oh, that I may be ready when Jesus comes or calls!

I like Brother Churchill's articles. I have seen the same kinds of worldliness of which he writes. I hope these things will be laid aside, for the time is so short.

Let us work till Jesus comes. I want to be a shining light to the world. My soul is illuminated with His presence. Praise God! I am feasting on the good things that come from the throne of God—the milk, honey and wine, oh, what joy divine! I am so glad that Jesus loves me.

Your sister in Christ,
Anna Steelmon.

Sweetgum, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I feel it my duty to sound a note of praise to Jesus for His rich blessings.

I have been in only one meeting in two years, but I am glad I have the Holy Ghost who keeps me.

I read of something the Lord is doing for people at nearly every place except Sweetgum, Ga. If the Lord wills we want to try to have a meeting here if it has to be held in a brush arbor. We shall be glad to have anybody that feels led to come.

There are just a few Pentecostal people here and we feel like lost sheep hungry for a shepherd to feed us. I appreciate one crumb that falls from the Master's table.

Please pray for me and also the people at this place.

Your sister in Christ,
Mae Fortner.

Hudson, Fla.

Dear Brother Tomlinson and Church of God Everywhere—Greetings:

I have been thinking for some time of writing you about the meeting we held at Powell, Fla., a little place on or near the Tampa Northern railway five miles south of Brooksville, which closed about four weeks ago.

The writer, Sister Mulkey, Sister Sue Bailey, Sisters Lorena, Annie, and Ethel Mulkey and Brother George Ganes went to

this place not knowing where we were going to hold services, but I was determined to hold a meeting if we had to build a brush arbor.

There had been two or three meetings held there before and a few had received the Holy Ghost and some were saved, but all had entirely lost out and gone back to the world except two and they had had no opportunities to be with the saints in services so they had grown cold. It had been three years since the last meeting there. They had tried several times to get some one to come and run a meeting but to no avail because of the uncertainty of a place for services, etc.

I was up there to visit two of my sisters who were living there, and the folks, though backslidden, were still anxious for a meeting. While I felt that I just couldn't go out with a band to take the lead and do most of the preaching, yet there was a queer, disturbed feeling came over me and held to me. It seemed I couldn't bear it any longer. These folks backslidden wanting a meeting, and now were still wanting a meeting asking me if I couldn't get some one and come back. I felt pressed above measure; I wanted to go and would in a minute if some preacher would just agree to go and take the lead and let me go along and help, but oh, how could I make a start myself! I had done but very little preaching and felt that I was such a failure.

But before going home I had promised that if I didn't soon find a preacher I would get some workers and go back. So when I got off of the train I met Sister Lorena Mulkey and told her about the folks at Powell wanting a meeting, etc., mentioning some of my plans concerning it. Well, praise the Lord! Two sisters and I went ahead. There were two schoolhouses near there. We went to see the trustees but they refused us permission to use them. I didn't worry, I was sure the Lord sent us there and would give us a place anyway. Praise the Lord, Mr. Elijah Lewis threw his doors open to us to have services until we could do better. He was of the world then but is saved and sanctified now and is seeking the Holy Ghost.

The first day we had services another friend offered us his big new barn shed to preach under. The friends were going to straw it and we meant to use it. I was perfectly satisfied. Why? Because I knew God was working. Folks took an interest in us and helped us all they could. But just listen! As they were about to straw the barn shed, Mrs. Crum offered us her son's vacant house. The house had two nice wide porches and plenty of rooms to camp in, which made it so nice for us as our tent hadn't got there and it was much better anyway as there were so many of us. There was an oil stove and other things in the house and the folks were so good as to lend us cooking utensils, cots, etc. There was also a very good organ there that Mrs. Crum said we might use if we would clean it up. It was no expense as I could do it myself. I began to see that the devil was an awful liar. He had discouraged me with the thought of so many awful things that would happen if I went there to run a meeting.

We began services in one of the rooms but by the last of the week the crowd increased until we moved to the porch.

Brother Ganes joined us the last of the first week. I wasn't very strong and wanted him to lead anyway. So he always led the singing and testimony service and they all held me up to the Lord while I managed to talk or preach, and oh, how we prayed, for I had some praying people with me. Soon sinners began to come to the altar and were saved, backsliders were reclaimed and shouted, danced and

talked in tongues. We did have such a good time.

Some of the saints from Rock Hill, Brooksville, Spring Lake, Hudson and Clearwater came, some of them every Sunday. Sister Eva Peterson, Sister Willie Mae Hamilton and Brother Hamilton assisted us lots in the services. Brother Hamilton preached for us several times and the Lord used the girls wonderfully in the altar as well as in the singing, also Sister Annie Mulkey who was our organist. The enemy afflicted me until I was very weak with heart trouble but Brother Ganes and others carried on the services.

It is wonderful how the Lord blessed in this meeting. Seven were filled with the Holy Ghost, five others were saved and sanctified, the cold ones were warmed up and the Spirit spoke through them again.

Brother Z. R. Thomas was with us the last week and preached to us the things we so much needed before setting the Church in order. He baptized nine on Thursday afternoon and set the church in order that night with eleven members. We had the Lord's supper and feet washing. Hallelujah to Jesus!

Eternity alone will reveal the good that was done by the continual cries to God, of Sister Mulkey, Sister Bailey and others.

Since the meeting closed another one has received the Holy Ghost and another has been sanctified.

Brother Thomas went back the next Sunday week after the meeting closed and appointed some officers and also a building committee to build a church.

I was there two weeks ago and they were getting along finely. We had some good services and they expect to go right to work on the church.

We hope Brother Sam. C. Perry will soon visit them and will in some way provide a shepherd for the flock.

We shall never forget those dear people. They so liberally administered to our needs.

Well praise God! I am encouraged to go on. Pray for me.
Your sister in Christ,
Mary Demeritt.

A PRAYER MEETING

WALTER A. GANN

Some people may not believe in prayer but the time will come when they will pray.

"And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal; and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood."—Rev. 6:12.

Prayer meetings are about the smallest meetings that are now held, but the opening of this sixth seal is the announcement of a prayer meeting that will be well attended, the largest ever to be held, where multiplied millions will assemble and pray.

A great many people may think this will be a meeting of the poor only; it is true the poor will be there, slaves will be there and outcasts of every description, but the rich, the nobles of the earth, the men to whom the nations bow will be at this prayer meeting. That will surely be a great day. Everybody will engage in prayer.

The time will come when men's hearts will fail them for fear and they will pray. They may not pray now, they may not pray for ten years, but sometime they will pray. It may be too late, but God's Word is true and He says they will pray. So it's coming.

Many are not going to pray to God or to Jesus, but to some mountain or overhanging rock near by to fall upon them and hide them from the face of Him that sitteth on the throne. It will be an awful time but YOU are going to be there if you don't come to God.

I do not want to be present at that prayer meeting. Instead, I

want to attend that glorious praise meeting where we shall shout and reign with Jesus forever.

Friend, attend the first prayer meeting that it is your privilege to attend. Make wrongs right and crooked things straight and God will save your soul and instead of attending the prayer meeting of that awful day you can attend the praise meeting.

May God help us to prepare for the judgement.

Heflin, Ala.

Dear Editor and Saints Scatter—Greetings:

I want to sound a note of praise to my blessed Savior who has done so much for me. He has saved me from sin, sanctified me wholly and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and commissioned me to go out and tell others about this wonderful salvation.

I have just closed a meeting near Wedowee, Ala. The Lord was with us in power from the beginning. Four received the Holy Ghost, for we heard them speak with tongues. Some were saved and sanctified.

In this meeting people came through in the old-fashioned way. When we preached repentance and told them to bring forth fruit meet for repentance they began fixing up things. Some paid for stolen water melons, paid back stolen money, paid for stolen cotton, etc. When the gospel of Christ, which is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth, is preached faithfully and fully it will produce results. His Word will not return void.

Since leaving we have learned that two others have received the Holy Ghost.

Yours for lost souls,
S. I. Denson.

Baltimore, Md.

Dear Evangel Family:

Just a few words for the glory of God.

I preached a few days to the Church of God in Danville, Va. The little flock seemed to be doing well but they need a pastor. On August 10, it was my privilege to baptize three in water. There was shouting both in the water and on the bank. Thank God! Then on Sunday night we took the Lord's supper and washed the saints' feet according to the Lord's command. Three were added to the church.

I came on to Washington, D. C., and preached some and am now in Baltimore, Md. I go from here to Wilmington, Delaware where I expect to hold a revival.

May God help us all to obey Jesus.

E. D. Hopkins,
Home address, Cullowhee, N.C.

Neosho, Mo.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

The meeting close here last night with twenty-one saved, five sanctified and five filled with the Holy Ghost.

I baptized twelve in water but I didn't set the church in order as we expect to come back in three weeks and start another meeting. I thought after that I would set the church in order. Perhaps others will come in the way. But I told the folks about the church and they love it and want to come in.

Your brother,
R. L. Cotnam.

Pikeville, Tenn.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God for this wonderful salvation. We have just closed a meeting at Brockdel, Tenn. The power of the Lord was wonderfully manifested. Six received the Holy Ghost, seventeen were baptized in water and fourteen were added to the church.

I desire your prayers that I may stay true to God and do just what He would have me to do.

Yours in Christ,
H. B. Helton.

Walhalla, S. C.

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

The meeting closed here last night with wonderful success and victory.

The Lord was with us in every service. Souls were blessedly saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and spoke with other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Ten followed the Lord in water baptism and ten were added to the Church of God.

Your brother,
W. H. Cross.

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